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and the approved course was appropriate to the commercial pilot certificate and aircraft rating sought.

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§ 61.131 Exceptions to the night flying requirements.

- (a) Subject to the limitations of paragraph (b) of this section, a person is not required to comply with the night flight training requirements of this subpart if the person receives flight training in and resides in the State of Alaska.
- (b) A person who receives flight training in and resides in the State of Alaska but does not meet the night flight training requirements of this section:
- (1) May be issued a pilot certificate with the limitation "night flying prohibited."
- (2) Must comply with the appropriate night flight training requirements of this subpart within the 12-calendarmonth period after the issuance of the pilot certificate. At the end of that period, the certificate will become invalid for use until the person complies with the appropriate night flight training requirements of this subpart. The person may have the "night flying prohibited" limitation removed if the person—
- (i) Accomplishes the appropriate night flight training requirements of this subpart; and
- (ii) Presents to an examiner a logbook or training record endorsement from an authorized instructor that verifies accomplishment of the appropriate night flight training requirements of this subpart.

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§ 61.133 Commercial pilot privileges and limitations.

- (a) Privileges—(1) General. A person who holds a commercial pilot certificate may act as pilot in command of an aircraft—
- (i) Carrying persons or property for compensation or hire, provided the per-

son is qualified in accordance with this part and with the applicable parts of this chapter that apply to the operation; and

- (ii) For compensation or hire, provided the person is qualified in accordance with this part and with the applicable parts of this chapter that apply to the operation.
- (2) Commercial pilots with lighter-thanair category ratings. A person with a commercial pilot certificate with a lighter-than-air category rating may—
- (i) For an airship—(A) Give flight and ground training in an airship for the issuance of a certificate or rating;
- (B) Give an endorsement for a pilot certificate with an airship rating;
- (C) Endorse a student pilot certificate or logbook for solo operating privileges in an airship;
- (D) Act as pilot in command of an airship under IFR or in weather conditions less than the minimum prescribed for VFR flight; and
- (E) Give flight and ground training and endorsements that are required for a flight review, an operating privilege or recency-of-experience requirements of this part.
- (ii) For a balloon—(A) Give flight and ground training in a balloon for the issuance of a certificate or rating;
- (B) Give an endorsement for a pilot certificate with a balloon rating;
- (C) Endorse a student pilot certificate or logbook for solo operating privileges in a balloon; and
- (D) Give ground and flight training and endorsements that are required for a flight review, an operating privilege, or recency-of-experience requirements of this part.
- (b) Limitations. (1) A person who applies for a commercial pilot certificate with an airplane category or poweredlift category rating and does not hold an instrument rating in the same category and class will be issued a commercial pilot certificate that contains the limitation, "The carriage of passengers for hire in (airplanes) (powered-lifts) on cross-country flights in excess of 50 nautical miles or at night is prohibited." The limitation may be removed when the person satisfactorily accomplishes the requirements listed in §61.65 of this part for an instrument rating in the same category and class

of aircraft listed on the person's commercial pilot certificate.

- (2) If a person who applies for a commercial pilot certificate with a balloon rating takes a practical test in a balloon with an airborne heater—
- (i) The pilot certificate will contain a limitation restricting the exercise of the privileges of that certificate to a balloon with an airborne heater.
- (ii) The limitation specified in paragraph (b)(2)(i) of this section may be removed when the person obtains the required aeronautical experience in a gas balloon and receives a logbook endorsement from an authorized instructor who attests to the person's accomplishment of the required aeronautical experience and ability to satisfactorily operate a gas balloon.
- (3) If a person who applies for a commercial pilot certificate with a balloon rating takes a practical test in a gas balloon—
- (i) The pilot certificate will contain a limitation restricting the exercise of the privileges of that certificate to a gas balloon.
- (ii) The limitation specified in paragraph (b)(3)(i) of this section may be removed when the person obtains the required aeronautical experience in a balloon with an airborne heater and receives a logbook endorsement from an authorized instructor who attests to the person's accomplishment of the required aeronautical experience and ability to satisfactorily operate a balloon with an airborne heater.

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Subpart G—Airline Transport Pilots

§61.151 Applicability.

This subpart prescribes the requirements for the issuance of airline transport pilot certificates and ratings, the conditions under which those certificates and ratings are necessary, and the general operating rules for persons who hold those certificates and ratings.

§61.153 Eligibility requirements: General.

To be eligible for an airline transport pilot certificate, a person must:

- (a) Be at least 23 years of age;
- (b) Be able to read, speak, write, and understand the English language. If the applicant is unable to meet one of these requirements due to medical reasons, then the Administrator may place such operating limitations on that applicant's pilot certificate as are necessary for the safe operation of the aircraft;
 - (c) Be of good moral character;
- (d) Meet at least one of the following requirements:
- (1) Holds a commercial pilot certificate with an instrument rating issued under this part;
- (2) Meet the military experience requirements under §61.73 of this part to qualify for a commercial pilot certificate, and an instrument rating if the person is a rated military pilot or former rated military pilot of an Armed Force of the United States; or
- (3) Holds either a foreign airline transport pilot license with instrument privileges, or a foreign commercial pilot license with an instrument rating that—
- (i) Was issued by a contracting State to the Convention on International Civil Aviation; and
- (ii) Contains no geographical limitations.
- (e) Meet the aeronautical experience requirements of this subpart that apply to the aircraft category and class rating sought before applying for the practical test;
- (f) Pass a knowledge test on the aeronautical knowledge areas of §61.155(c) of this part that apply to the aircraft category and class rating sought;
- (g) Pass the practical test on the areas of operation listed in §61.157(e) of this part that apply to the aircraft category and class rating sought; and
- (h) Comply with the sections of this subpart that apply to the aircraft category and class rating sought.

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§61.155 Aeronautical knowledge.

(a) General. The knowledge test for an airline transport pilot certificate is based on the aeronautical knowledge